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Clerk of the Court United States Bankruptcy Court 2929 North Central Avenue Ninth Floor Phoenix, AZ 85067-4151

In re:

CHARLES THOMAS BROWN d/b/a TOM BEOWN PREFFERRED TRUST COMPANY. No. 97-14228 PHX GBN

Adversary Proceeding No.: 99-00746

This letter is in response to "SUMMONS IN AN ADVERSARY PROCEEDING" and this is my motion or answer to the complaint.

To Whom It May Concern:

In reply to the summons - the figures presented by the Law firm of Ryley Carlock & Applewhite are not accurate. My original investment in 1992 was \$6000, not \$3000 as they have represented (they have copy of note). That changes the amounts they are asking for as a "settlement"— see attached.

They are asking for a settlement. This is beyond all comprehension. This was an investment in good faith. I used my hard saved money to invest in something that was presented to me by Ron Linder, a friend of a friend. It was presented as high risk (lending money to troubled businesses on inventory) but I would realize a high return on interest. I never met Tom Brown or talked to him. I sent my check for \$6,000 and received a Promissory Note. I then invested another \$3000 after I received a roll over Note on the original \$6,000. I invested a total of \$9,000. I would receive a new note every six months and the interest was pilling up.

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In mid 1997 my wife persuaded me to cash in these two notes, as we needed a new car. I then sent a FAX to Preferred Trust (Tom Brown) requesting my money. About a month went by before I received the money on my first note (\$6,000) which was for \$11,341. That note was due 6/30/97. The other (\$3,000) was not due until 9/30/97, but I had requested without the six months of interest so could receive all the funds on the two notes. I invested a total of \$9,000 and received \$11,341 for a five-year period. Not all that good rate of return.

When I requested the money, I had no idea of Tom Brown being investigated by the Attorney General's office. When they contacted me I was very cooperative and helped them with their investigation. I then thought "Oh boy, now I won't get the funds due on the second note", which I never did receive. Please understand that at no time was I aware of any wrong doing by Preferred Trust/Tom Brown. I honestly thought I was in a legitimate but risky investment.

Please review this response and the revised figures. I do not have any money for an attorney. So this is the best I can do. If a settlement is unjustly needed please understand I only have a very small retirement fund to deal with and that would present costly penalties.

Let me ask you something, did the investors in the Lincoln Savings/Charlie Keeting fiasco have to go through this? Is this right?

Sincerely,

Marry Seagraves

CC: Riley Carlock & Applewhite

The Honorable George B. Nielson, Jr.

Charles Thomas Brown Bankruptcy

Investor Transactions Sorted by Date Posted

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